



**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-0916**

March 29, 2023

House Committee on Appropriations  
H-307, The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Minority Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$2 million in funding for the Town of Longboat Key, Florida, located at 501 Bay Isles Road, Longboat Key, FL 34228. The funding would be used by the Town to complete the design of and help fund the replacement of aging critical wastewater infrastructure to enhance water quality for the local community. Helping to enhance the wastewater infrastructure and the water quality for this community is a very appropriate use of federal monies and is a clear Federal nexus.

I am also requesting \$3 million for the Manatee County Port Authority. This funding will reimburse Port Manatee, and the local county, for the funds it spent more than 10 years ago dredging the South Channel at the Port. Therefore, this is a very clear Federal nexus and an appropriate use of Federal funds.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in these 2 projects.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Vern Buchanan".

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Vern Buchanan  
Member of Congress